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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: ROGER H. GRANBO *RGH*
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RE: **Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda**
County Claims Board Recommendation
Desiree Henriquez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:14-CV00196-GW

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation regarding the above-referenced matter. Also attached is the Case Summary to be made available to the public.

It is requested that this recommendation and the Case Summary be placed on the Board of Supervisors' agenda.

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Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Desiree Henriquez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court Case No. 2:14-CV00196-GW in the amount of \$925,000 and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Fire Department's budget.

This wrongful death lawsuit arises from the death of an accident victim that was treated by Los Angeles County Fire Department paramedics.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Desiree Henriquez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	2:14-CV-00196-GW
COURT	United States District Court - Central District
DATE FILED	August 21, 2014
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Los Angeles County Fire Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 925,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Kaye, McLane, Bednarski & Litt, LLP; and Law Office of Sonia Mercado & Associates
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Narbeh Bagdasarian, Senior Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	<p>On April 13, 2013, Jose Roberto Enriquez, Jr. was involved in a vehicle accident. Police officers from the City of Bell arrived at the scene. Later, Los Angeles County paramedics were called to treat Mr. Henriquez at a hospital.</p> <p>Later on the same day, while being booked at the City of Bell jail, Mr. Henriquez suffered a massive bleeding in his brain and died.</p> <p>Mr. Henriquez' family brought a lawsuit against the County of Los Angeles, the City of Bell and the private company that manages the City of Bell jail.</p>
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 407,473
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 143,306